

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3633  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026**

**STRENGTHENING HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE IN MAHARASHTRA AND GUJARAT**

**3633. SHRI BABUBHAI JESANGBHAI DESAI:**

Will the **Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Budget 2026-27 has allocated about ₹1,06,530 crore for the Ministry to strengthen public health programmes;
- (b) if so, the major initiatives proposed under this allocation;
- (c) whether Health and Wellness Centres have been expanded in Maharashtra and Gujarat under the Ayushman Bharat programme; and
- (d) if so, the number of such centres established and the status of expansion of critical care blocks and other health infrastructure facilities?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) & (b): The Union Budget 2026–27 marks a significant milestone in the Government's ongoing efforts to strengthen India's healthcare system, with a substantial enhancement in the allocation for the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) to ₹1,06,530 crore in BE 2026-27. The allocation in BE 2026-27 to MoHFW will be utilised in various schemes such as National Health Mission (NHM), Pradhan Mantri-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM), Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), etc.

(c) & (d): As reported by States/UTs on AAM portal, a total of 1.84 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs) have been operationalized by strengthening Sub-health Centres (SHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in the country, which deliver 12 expanded range of comprehensive primary healthcare services encompassing preventive, promotive, palliative, rehabilitative, and curative care. 13,213 AAMs in Maharashtra and 10,708 AAMs in Gujarat have been operationalized so far, as reported by the States.

PM-ABHIM aims to support for infrastructure development for SHC, Urban AAMs, support for

Block Public Health Units (BPHUs), Integrated Public Health Laboratories (IPHLs) and Critical Care Blocks (CCBs). Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) component, administrative approvals have been accorded to the States/UTs under PM-ABHIM for 5 years period i.e. FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26 for construction/ strengthening and establishment of 9519 Building- less SHC-AAM, 5456 Urban-AAM (including 410 in Gujarat), 2151 BPHU, 744 IPHL (including 36 in Maharashtra & 33 in Gujarat) and 621 CCB (including 36 in Maharashtra & 32 in Gujarat) at District Hospitals/ Govt. Medical College level.

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